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Biography

I was born in 1998 in Ankara, Türkiye. I completed my high school education at TED Ankara College Scholar Development Program in 2016. After high school, I moved to Istanbul and started my bachelor's degree education. I have been working in the Department of Architecture at Yıldız Technical University as a research assistant since 2021 and assisting many courses in the Bachelor and Graduate Programs of Architecture at the same university as a teaching assistant. I graduated from Yıldız Technical University, Department of Architecture, where I studied between 2016-2020, as valedictorian. I completed my Architectural Design master's education at the end of the spring semester of 2023 at Istanbul Technical University. My master's degree was funded by my country's scientific research support organisation (TUBITAK).

In my master's research, I mainly focused on architectural theory in the axis of critical theory, post-structuralist feminist theories, and architectural representation possibilities. In connection with my research, I participated in the conference "Tacit Knowledge in Architecture" at ETH Zurich in June 2023 and presented a full paper titled, "Revealing the Tacit: A Critical Spatial Practice Based on Walking and Re/presenting". My dissertation attempted to uncover the ways of expressing the state of being critical while performing everyday life acts in the city and representing these performances with the 'other' ways of architectural representation.

In December 2023, a pavilion design proposal that we worked on with Anıl Yavuz was presented at the "Posthuman Symbioses Masterclass: A Thinking with Donna Haraway and Rosi Braidotti" organised by the Chair of Philosophy and Theory of Architecture at the TU Delft Department of Architecture. Another research-by-design study I am involved in approaches the Anthropocene from a new materialist perspective on ecological sensitivities and has been accepted for presentation at the conference "Production Studies International Conference" at Newcastle University next March. As a native Turkish speaker, I am multilingual and speak English (advanced level), German (intermediate level) and Spanish (beginner).

Education Information

Doctorate, Istanbul Technical University, Lisansüstü Eğitim Enstitüsü, Architectural Design, Turkey 2023 - Continues

Postgraduate, Istanbul Technical University, Lisansüstü Eğitim Enstitüsü, Architectural Design, Turkey 2020 - 2023

Undergraduate, Yıldız Technical University, Faculty Of Architecture, Department Of Architecture, Turkey 2016 - 2020

Foreign Languages

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Spanish, A1 Beginner

German, B1 Intermediate

English, C1 Advanced

Certificates, Courses and Trainings

Other, Social Science for Engineers, EELISA Workshop, Universidad Politécnica de Madrid, 2023

Other, Modernity, Critic Modernity and Warm Modernity Workshop, Politecnico di Milano, 2021

Other, Görüntüye Düşmeyen 'Şey'lerin İzleri Atölyesi, Istanbul Technical University, 2021

Other, Ekrandan Ekran 2 Atölyesi, Evin Halleri, Nevzat Sayın Mimarlık Hizmetleri, 2020

Other, Ekrandan Ekran, Architecture for All Association, 2020

Other, Re-Bauhaus the World Workshop Coordinator, Yildiz Technical University, 2019

Other, Topla Tamamla Tasarla Atölyesi, Architecture for All Association, 2019

Dissertations

Postgraduate, A Spatial Conception Based On Walking: Critical Walk, Istanbul Technical University, Lisansüstü Eğitim Enstitüsü, Department of Architecture, 2023

Research Areas

Architectural Design

Academic Titles / Tasks

Research Assistant, Yildiz Technical University, Faculty Of Architecture, Department Of Architecture, 2021 - Continues

Academic and Administrative Experience

Internship Committee Member, Yildiz Technical University, Faculty Of Architecture, Department Of Architecture, 2023 - Continues

Assistant Coordinator, Yildiz Technical University, Faculty Of Architecture, Department Of Architecture, 2023 - Continues

Refereed Congress / Symposium Publications in Proceedings

- I. **Soil as Resource, Not Waste: A Trans-material Approach to Architectural Production**
Şahin Z., Altunok N., Özdemir N.
Production Studies 2024: Transforming Knowledges of Architecture, Design and Labour, Newcastle Upon Tyne, England, 25 - 28 March 2024, pp.95
- II. **A Pavilion Design for Copenhagen City Center: "becoming and moving together-with"**
Altunok N., Yavuz A.
Posthuman Symbioses Masterclass: A Thinking-With Donna Haraway and Rosi Braidotti, Zuid-Holland, Netherlands, 08 December 2023
- III. **Soil Loss by Urbanization and its Transformation Potentials**
Özdemir N., Altunok N., Şahin Z.
International Graduate Research Symposium IGRS'22, İstanbul, Turkey, 1 - 03 June 2022, pp.45

IV. Revealing the Tacit: A Critical Spatial Practice Based on Walking and Re/presenting

Altunok N.

TACK: Tacit Knowledge in Architecture International Conference, Zürich, Switzerland, 19 - 21 June 2023, pp.54

V. Discovering New Potentials of Bauhaus-invented: "Vorkurs"

Altunok N.

ARCHITECTURAL EPISODES 02: NEW DIALOGUES IN ARCHITECTURAL EDUCATION AND PRACTICE, ISTANBUL KÜLTÜR UNIVERSITY, İstanbul, Turkey, 25 March 2022, pp.294-308

VI. Discovering Another Language: Walking in the City

Altunok N., Dursun Çebi P.

LivenARCH-VII 2021: OTHER ARCHITECT/URE(S), Trabzon, Turkey, 28 September 2021

Supported Projects

SAY ÖZER Y., BARKUL Ö., NALÇA KISSABOYLU C., TAY E. C., AKDEMİR M. Z., ALTUNOK N., YILMAZ E., Project Supported by Higher Education Institutions, Yıldız Teknik Üniversitesi Mimarlık Bölümünde Mimari Tasarım Eğitimine Yön Verenler, 2022 - Continues

Tasks In Event Organizations

Altunok N., YTÜ Mimarlık Bölümü Diploma Projeleri Yarışması, Social Activities, Turkey, Kasım 2023

Metrics

Publication: 6